UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION 5

Date:

Subject: Approval of an Aquifer Exemption in Indiana

From: Rebecca L. Harvey, Chief

Underground Injection Control Branch

To: Jo Lynn Traub

Director, Water Division

The Indiana Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) has requested that Region 5 approve an aquifer exemption for a natural gas storage operation in White County, Indiana. Although the primary enforcement authority was delegated to the Indiana Department of Natural Resources in 1991, aquifer exemptions to allow injection of oil-field brine into aquifers with less than 10,000 mg/l total dissolved solids remain the responsibility of Region 5, and must be signed by the Regional Administrator.

We request that you sign the attached memorandum to the Regional Administrator and forward it with the letter for his signature to him.

If you would like further information, please contact either Harlan Gerrish or John Taylor at 886-2939 or 353-4153, respectively.

Attachments (2)